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The C A R C Meets the third Wednesday of the month at 8:00 PM.  
NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 20th at the Emergency Preparedness Center.

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## AUCTION NOTES by W8FEC

With continued refusals by several computer sales houses to set up a display at the Auction and with only KenMar and JAL committed to space at the Nimishillen Grange, a moment of desperation emerged. Thanks to KC8UQ and KC8UO, a few more feet of space was occupied. But then they came, those flea marketeers, around 4 pm Saturday. By the droves they came. Even well into the Auction they continued to come. "Crowded" was hardly the word. But most seemed to take the congestion good naturedly. Auctioneer George Turkal W8YHU, did his usual superb job. The gals at the Auctioneer's finance table, Shirley and Jeanette, kept abreast of the multitude of sales and it lasted. Must have been a good two hours. Thanks to VP Rod, his kitchen crew did an outstanding job and the ticket booths (yep, two of them) kept selling tickets. (Notice we are not mentioning too many names. So many helped, we're afraid we might slight someone. It is not hard to spot a gem though.)

Profit? Not as much as it appeared on the night of the Auction. Report next meeting. All tickets have been audited. Only two stubs missing out of 500 tickets. Those not winning and not present for the drawing, can



be assured that their stubs were in the barrel. First prize went to an Akron ham, Hank W8VQI. We wonder though, does W8TD have some magic solution? He won second prize. Didn't he win last year too?

To those who helped in any way in this year's Auction - THANKS!!! One enjoys a sense of comraderie, through their diligence and cooperation. Their worth? PRICELESS. It's the joy of working with such people that makes any event, or a club, a success.

Stubs reveal a large number of non-hams. Perhaps this list is a nucleus of the next Novice Class. Geographical area served- North (Lake Erie), East (Western Pa.), South (Cambridge area), West (bit west of Wooster) Vendors- most distant was Westland Electronics, Westland Mich. The Flea Market group, from as far as Sandusky. Some were going to the hamfest, following day in Lake county. CARC members at Auction or buying tickets 58, Total members 124. One stub said under call-"Anytime". It was a HE not a SHE,

Art W8FEC

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#### CARC MARCH MEETING MINUTES

The March meeting was called to order at 8:01 PM. Introductions followed. Better attendance than last month- 30. W8VUN and KA8MIB made a motion to drop the reading of the February minutes.

Financial Report; Income \$59, Expenses \$307, Balance \$2832, net loss for the month was \$249. Additional expenditures since the bank reconciliation, \$200 for Hamfest and \$125 for Auction food. New balance unreported of \$2507.

Bill K8JZN enclosed in the Feedline a list of current members. To take advantage of our mailing cost reduction, should we get it, we will need 200 "customers". If one of your friends, has failed to join CARC this year, please invite him back. You new Novices are club members- a gift from all other club members for the remainder of the club year. Please don't write "No" on the sign-in sheet.

Bill again challenged by IRS, wrote Cincinnati this time, to justify our request for reduced mailing privileges. You almost get the opinion that the right hand does not know what the left hand is doing, (i.e. Cleveland vs Cincinnati IRS!!).

Status of loanable equipment, available! See Rod VP KA8MWZ. Except the missing battery, surely someone must know its' whereabouts!!!



The Hamfest arrangements, partially discussed. Committee met March 14, and decided to make the first prize an "Apple II+", and a monitor. It more readily fits our budget, and does 95% of what the Apple IIe does, state the experts. But as with the Auction, ticket sales prior to the Hamfest is imperative. An honest effort to sell to the non-ham public is imperative. An honest effort to sell to the non-ham public is necessary since a survey of many hams at the C.F. Hamfest, indicated about 80% of that group had a computer of some kind already. Arrangements are still pending on food and tables.

For the Auction, Herb stated a need for volunteers for such activities as security, kitchen, auction area, tickets, and call-in. The success depends upon your willingness to sacrifice and hour or so. Please help. There is an informal contest going on! Who'll sell more Auction tickets Herb WD8IPE or Gary WA8ADA???

MARC/CARC common project dead-ended, no enthusiasm. Prez says he'd like to hear your thoughts on establishing a savings account, taking a percentage of each years savings for future housing needs. Consider also the possible impact of the Sheriff's presentation mentioned below. Herb's suggestion was tabled. However Gary WA8ADA, suggested that we look into some land that is reportedly quite "cheap" but inaccessible. Yet it offers an opportunity to reap a harvest of wood, the income to be used for a permanent CARC site.

Give some thought to Field Day requirements. Time is getting short, contact Rod KA8MWZ. How about a new approach- perhaps QRP, solar call powered, different types of antennas, computer logging and dupe search? Ken W8EK, reviewed W5YI Report. Perhaps the most disturbing is the acceptance of obscene language on transmissions, by some of the governmental powers. What will be its' effect, not only within our country, but throughout the world. ARRL does not condone.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM. Immediately thereafter, we had our guest speaker Sgt James Rudibaugh WB8NCQ.

Dave WD8AYE, introduced our guest speaker Sheriff Deputy Sgt James Rudibaugh WB8NCQ. Rudibaugh in turn, introduced his bosses Capt McClanahan and Lt. Dave Greel. Lt. Greel is familiar with ham communications, having been within our ranks at one time. Rudibaugh has had considerable experience as a communications technician, plus running a karate school, plus volunteering for work in the Sheriff's force (yes, he is



married) presented us with a challenge. His proposal, to have the CARC ARES provide support communications, for such events as missing person searches, crowd control and march coordination and similar events. Indications are that there is a desire on the part of the Sheriff's Dept for increased participation, greater rigidity of control and coordination through various echelons of command, and an awareness of responsibility not heretofore encountered.

Capt McClanahan expressed a desire of having a battalion of communicators. When asked if an actual need existed for 500 communicators, the Capt indicated a willingness to accept 1000 if available. The type of organization envisioned therefore, appears nebulous and amounts to a survey of our feelings or attitudes. Dave and Dick WB8VUN felt that such services were already available and had proven satisfactory in past needs. When Capt McClanahan was questioned about a communicators inability to participate in an event, emergency or simulated, their feeling was that such excusals were valid and no one need be forced or even feel he's failed to live up to expectations. "Tomorrow is another day". You as a CARC member are asked to consider their request. WD8AYE has expressed a willingness to coordinate matters. It looks like a big job. For those of you who do not enjoy seven day weekends, time becomes a commodity in demand - for work, the family, yourself. It seems that some back-up tireless supporters are needed for Dave. Volunteers??

More discussion will ensue, keep tuned. For those of us in the ranks, it appears a jaundiced eye should be placed on the adequacy of individual equipment- sufficient power sources, batteries charged and chargeable, charger-regulator units for plugging into 12 volt auto systems, spare packs, antennas, other than rubber ducks, perhaps 5/8 wave or a portable vertical or beam. The distance to the closest repeater is seldom known in advance.

Donuts and coffee about 9:30 PM. Crowd still there at 10 PM and we had a good group as early as 7:35 PM.

Art W8FEC, Sec-Treasurer

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#### NEW MEMBERS

Two of our old members have renewed their membership for this year. We welcome back Ike Abernethy KB8OH and Bruce Harper N8DQG. Please add to your membership list to keep it up-dated. Welcome back fellow.



## SKY-WATCH TRAINING PROGRAM

Arrangements have been made to provide all interested Amateur Radio Operators, and other public employees, to have another training session for new interested persons and to refresh memories of previous trained persons. The training will be held in the ampli-theater at the nurses training building of the Timken-Mercy Medical Center. Amateurs will be permitted, to park in the employees area to the north of the hospital. Just tell them you are an Amateur Radio person and are there to take the Sky-Training. The date is Tuesday, the time is 7:00PM and will last till about 10PM. If you are planning on attending, call Dave WD8AYE so he will have an estimate as to how many will be there.

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## CONTRIBUTING ARTICLES FOR THE FEEDLINE NEWSLETTER

What can we do to improve the Feedline Bulletin??? Wouldn't it be nice to read a technical article, a personal review of a new piece of radio gear, how you set up your station, how you improved your station, and any other news or articles that would be of interest to your fellow amateurs. Thanks to Art W8FEC for his fine minutes and news, it makes the job of editor easier. Could you help out with a regular article or an occasional one at least. It would make the Bulletin more enjoyable to read and be informative too. Try it, you might like it.

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## NEW REPEATER FOR DX INFO

The Stark DX Assn. has a new repeater on the air, thanks to Lee K3DMG and others. It is on 145.41 output. If interested in DX, keep that rig tuned to this frequency for the latest on DX. If a rare one is heard, the frequency and who the DX is, can be heard on the repeater. Lee is still working on it and making changes, so if it is off the air, when you try it out, be patient and they will soon have it back on.

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## 20 METER BAND EXPANSION APPROVED

The FCC has issued an order effective May 22nd, increasing the phone sub band on 20 meters. The exact time is in question so use caution if you use 20 meters. The new frequencies are Extra 14.150-14.350, Advanced 14.175-14.350 and General 14.225-14.350. There was also a proposal issued for a future expansion on 80, 40, 15 and 10 meters. A comment deadline of July 1, 1983 was set. The final order followed the ARRL proposal. There were seven proposals for the HF expansion.